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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated January 16, 2003, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

Listing of claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 6 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.

No extensions are believed necessary for this filing. However, applicant hereby petitions for any necessary extensions or other relief associated with this filing and authorizes the commissioner to charge applicant's representative's charge account 50-0548 for any deficiencies.